

Iowa Department of Transportation -- Office of Contracts

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Bid items for Bid Items Application have been updated.

- Beginning on page 2 is a summary of the updates to the bid item files.
- New items are effective immediately unless otherwise noted.
- Use of new items on projects let before the effective date will not be permitted.
- FYI: 'Spec' changes to existing bid items are not included in this notification.

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Specifications for most bid items consist of five parts: 1) Description, 2) Materials, 3) Construction, 4) Method of Measurement, and 5) Basis of Payment. The Spec Codes defined below, and shown in the online English Bid Item Description Book and Metric Bid Item Description Book, are used to identify a source(s) where typical specs for the bid item located. The specific source will depend on the actual use and application of the bid item.

The policy of the Office of Contracts is that the designer of the projects let through the Iowa D.O.T. letting system ensures that all bid items have complete specifications.

Special attention is directed to the codes STD6, SP2, and PLAN that may use or need multiple sources. For many bid items with those codes, additional information is required. This could include entire specifications (all five parts) for a bid item, or modifications/changes/additional requirements to one or more parts of an existing specification. For most of those bid items, the specs could be included in the Item Reference Information or General Notes of the project plan. The designer is encouraged to use the Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications, etc. as resources for the proper language for any of the five spec portions for similar bid items.

Spec Code	Spec Source
STD	Standard Specifications - including General Supplemental Specifications
STD2	Standard Specifications - including applicable Supplemental Specifications
STD3	Standard Specifications - including applicable Supplemental Specifications or Standard Road Plans
STD4	Standard Specifications - including applicable Standard Bridge Plans
STD5	Standard Specifications - including applicable Standard Road Plans
STD6	Standard Specifications - including applicable Special Provisions or Project Plan
DS	Developmental Specifications
SS	Supplemental Specifications
SS2	Supplemental Specifications or Project Plan
SP	Special Provisions
SP2	Special Provisions or Project Plan
SBP	Standard Bridge Plans
SRP	Standard Road Plans
PLAN	Project Plan
PROP	Proposal Form

Bid Items Application Update to Bid Item Listings -- November 26, 2013

ENGLISH ITEMS

The following items have been added to the valid bid item description listing:				
Effect Dt	Item Code	Description	Unit	Spec

This bid item was added by a new Developmental Specifications.				
	2102-2624980	CONTRACTOR FURNISHED SELECT TREATMENT	CY	DS
The following bid items are to be added by a new Section in the next General Supplemental Specifications. Use like items that begin with 2319 through the March 2014 letting.				
Apr 2014	2320-0000002	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, FRICTION L-2	TON	STD
Apr 2014	2320-0000004	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, FRICTION L-4	TON	STD
Apr 2014	2320-0000005	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, NO SPECIAL FRICTION REQUIREMENT	TON	STD
Apr 2014	2320-0000020	PREPARATION OF SURFACE FOR MICROSURFACING	MILE	STD
Apr 2014	2320-0000030	EMULSIFIED ASPHALT FOR MICROSURFACING	GAL	STD
The following bid items are to be added to the next General Supplemental Specifications. Use like items that begin with 2601 through the March 2014 letting.				
Apr 2014	2507-2638610	CONCRETE SLOPE PROTECTION	SY	STD
Apr 2014	2507-2638620	MACADAM STONE SLOPE PROTECTION	SY	STD
Apr 2014	2507-2638650	BRIDGE WING ARMORING - EROSION STONE	SY	STD
Apr 2014	2507-2638660	BRIDGE WING ARMORING - MACADAM STONE	SY	STD
The following bid items are to be added to the next General Supplemental Specifications.				
Apr 2014	2602-0000080	REMOVAL OF SILT BASINS	EACH	STD
This bid item was added by a new Developmental Specifications.				
	2602-0000240	MAINTENANCE OF FLOATING SILT CURTAIN	LF	DS

METRIC ITEMS

The following items have been added to the valid bid item description listing:				
Effect Dt	Item Code	Description	Unit	Spec

This bid item was added by a new Developmental Specifications.				
	2102--200080	CONTRACTOR FURNISHED SELECT TREATMENT	M3	DS
The following bid items are to be added by a new Section in the next General Supplemental Specifications. Use like items that begin with 2319 through the March 2014 letting.				
Apr 2014	2320--000002	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, FRICTION L-2	MG	STD
Apr 2014	2320--000004	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, FRICTION L-4	MG	STD
Apr 2014	2320--000005	AGGREGATE FOR MICROSURFACING, NO SPECIAL FRICTION REQUIREMENT	MG	STD
Apr 2014	2320--000020	PREPARATION OF SURFACE FOR MICROSURFACING	KM	STD
Apr 2014	2320--000030	EMULSIFIED ASPHALT FOR MICROSURFACING	L	STD
The following bid items are to be added to the next General Supplemental Specifications. Use like items that begin with 2601 through the March 2014 letting.				
Apr 2014	2507--108200	SLOPE PROTECTION, CONCRETE	M2	STD
Apr 2014	2507--108300	SLOPE PROTECTION, MACADAM STONE	M2	STD
Apr 2014	2507--108450	BRIDGE WING ARMORING - EROSION STONE	M2	STD
Apr 2014	2507--108460	BRIDGE WING ARMORING - MACADAM STONE	M2	STD
The following bid items are to be added to the next General Supplemental Specifications.				
Apr 2014	2602--000080	REMOVAL OF SILT BASINS	EACH	STD
This bid item was added by a new Developmental Specifications.				
	2602--000240	MAINTENANCE OF FLOATING SILT CURTAIN	M	DS